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Lindenwood University's new January Term is a bonus that pays bid dividends--if students are behind, this helps "catch-up." Or it is an opportunity to get ahead. And it's all FREE!!

President Dennis Spellmann said Lindenwood was doing extrememly well, and the J-Term is a way to "give something back to the students-for free."

January Term courses, which run from Jan. 3 through 21, are available at no cost (except for lab fees and travel costs where applicable) to students who

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enrolled in the fall 1999 semester and are enrolled in the spring 2000 semester.

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Registration is under way for January Term classes, which will be held three hours a day, five days a week during the term.

Courses for the term were chosen to fill a variety of needs.

Students may choose classes they need for graduation, or they may take electives to fulfill their academic interests.

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Classes are available in 26 subject areas, including the arts, education, English, the sciences, math, history, foreign language, communication, physical education, philosophy, psychology, religion and social work.

A complete list of available classes is posted on the main floor of Roemer Hall and in Academic Services in Roemer Hall. Booklets listing the class offerings are also available at Academic Services.

Jeanne Murabito, dean of academic services, said she thinks the January Term classes represent a valuable opportunity for students.

## New residence halls to be ready for Fall 2000

From its beginnings last April during a groundbreaking ceremony held under threatening skies, the two new residence halls currently under construction are proceeding on schedule and will be ready for their first residential students in the fall of 2000.

Throughout this semester, the walls of the new residence halls have been steadily taking shape.

Each of the new residence halls, one for men and one for women, features a state-of-the-



An artist's rendering of one of the new residence halls currently under construction on the south end of campus.

art design and will include 90 suites with a capacity for 180 students, including gathering space and other amenities. Groundbreaking is also slated for a grand new campus center and two additional residence halls next year.

### Admissions office reports increase in transfers to LU for spring

More students thanever more are making Lindenwood University their choice for higher education. The Office of Undergraduate Admissions reports an increase in the number of students transferring to Lindenwood for Spring Semester 2000.

The majority of the transfers are from St. Charles County Community College, with other students coming from a variety of other locations across the state and from outside Missouri.

President Spellmann attributed the increase the current Lindenwood students "spreading the word Our students are our best ambassadors. They're telling their friends about Lindenwood." Most of the incoming students are majoring in education and business, and about half will be residential students. According to Tonie Isenhour, director of undergraduate admissions, many of the students are from the area originally, and have decided they'd rather stay closer to home.

"These students appreciate the personal attention and quality education they've discovered at Lindenwood," Isenhour said. "We offer an alternative to the big-campus, bigbusiness college experience they have found elsewhere."

With increased residential capacity, LU still has openings for the spring. Tell a friend today!

#### The Arts...

## Winter Dance Concert will showcase talents of students, staff

The Lindenwood University Showcase Dancers will present their Winter Concert on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 10 and 11 at 8 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. in Jelkyl Theatre, which is in Roemer Hall on the campus of Lindenwood University in St. Charles. Tickets, which are free to Lindenwood students, cost \$6 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens in the general public. They are available at the door.

The program, which features more than 60 dancers, highlights the talent and diversity of Lindenwood students from around the world in original faculty and student choreography.

Dancers tap a hilarious spoof on how to choreograph a tap dance. Panamanian Monica Guzman has created a vibrant salsa number. Students tap to music of the Beastie Boys and dance on point to the Urge. Jazz by Joshua Redmond and world beat from the Afro-Celt Ensemble have inspired modern dances by senior Lori Landwehr and Dance Program Director Alice Bloch. Stacy West, artistic director of Lindenwood's professional company in residence, the Mid America Dance Company, will perform a new routine. Also featured are, "A Little Help From My Friends," a nostalgic look at the '60s by adjunct faculty member Jan Strzelec, and the sweetly funny "OK," by Associate Professor Rob Scoggins.

Especially exciting this year is the national recognition received by Lindenwood's Lion Line Dance Team. They will perform two of their awardwinning routines.

#### Madrigal dinner returns, LU Club transformed into manorhouse

When Queen Elizabeth I was on the throne, she and her court knew how to ring in the holidays. In the holiday celebrations of the 15th century English nobility, singing and eating were done concurrently.

This year, Lindenwood's annual Madrigal Dinner, which was reincarnated last year after a break of more than 10 years, returned for two weekends, ending Sunday. The event featured the talents of 20 students

performing in the style of 15th century nobility and common folk.

Lindenwood vocal music director Jim Henry directed the performances, which included an



The 1999 cast for the Lindenwood Madrigal Dinners included (back from left) Phillip Hughen, Tim Lewis, Dennis Folwarczny, (front from left) Megan West, Elizabeth Schlosser and Bethany Stoltzfus.

abundance of songs performed by the players.

Visitors to the event were assigned special titles, consistent with the English nobility theme, which were printed in the program each evening. As the evening progresses, the players perform from a script, according to which Queen Elizabeth has summoned the lords and ladies to celebrate the holidays with her.

Audience participation is included in places, and a good time is enjoyed by all, according to Marsha Parker, dean of fine and performing arts. The rebirth of the event, which was held regularly years ago, is testimony to the talent of the Lindenwood students involved.

"We had the talent and the student and faculty interest to redo it," Parker said. "The dinner was a success again. More than 500 people attended this year."

#### News...

#### Lindenwood launches new chapter of Alpha Chi honor society

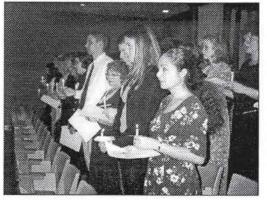
Lindenwood University welcomes a new chapter of Alpha Chi, a national honor society. Forty-five Lindenwood students were inducted into the Missouri Pi chapter of the society on October 29.

Membership in Alpha Chi is limited to no more than 10 percent of the junior and senior classes. The cut off G.P.A. is 3.89 for seniors and 3.83 for juniors.

Officiating at the initiation ceremony recently were chapter

sponsors Dr. Jenny Warren, Dr. Mary Utley and Dr. Charles Leonard. Leslie Raines is student president.

The objectives of Alpha Chi are to promote and to recognize superior scholarship and those elements of character which make scholarship effective for service. The society, founded in 1922, has about 300 chapters nationwide and represents the highest academic honor on any member campus.



Inductees into Lindenwood's new chapter of Alpha Chi took part in a ceremony recently to recognize the formation of the chapter.

## Winter sports teams striving to build on last year's success

Excitement and anticipation surround Lindenwood University's winter athletic programs. LU coaches have set the bar high and look forward to this winter's challenges.

The **women's basketball** team, with a record of 9-1 as of Wednesday, is ranked first in the conference.

"This group could probably be the best group ever to come out of LU," said Head Coach Dave Witter.

Despite injury problems, **Men's Basketball** Coach Dale Ribble remains upbeat about the team's chances.

"I'm pleased with the talent and effort we've had in practice and games up to now," Ribble said. As of Wednesday, the team was 7-4, and Ribble expects them to be even better in January when some injuries are resolved.

The wrestling team is expecting to take a shot at the conference title and qualify 12 wrestlers for the NAIA national tournament, which will be held at Lindenwood in March. To date, Lindenwood has participated in four tournaments and is ranked seventh in the nation.

Men's volleyball makes its debut this winter, and coach Mike Gardner hopes to start strong.

"This year, we want to establish a solid based so that we can make ourselves recognizable," Gardner said. "We will be very young, but the goals remains the same, compete for the conference title."

#### Butler Centre to open for academic night owls

Sunday night, Dec. 12, through Thursday, Dec. 16, Butler Centre will be open from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. for students who are studying for finals.

"Students can study during the night and take a break and

grab a bite to eat," said Student Activities Director Glen Waring.

Popcorn, pastries, fruit, bagels and more will be available.

For more information, call Waring at x4983.

The swimming and diving teams, in their second season, are looking forward to another return to nationals with the bulk of its squad from last year returning with some solid new additions.

The new men's and women's **bowling** team competed in its first match in November and is slated to compete in seven others with nationals in May.